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SUBJECT: ERRONEOUS CAPTIONS JAN 7 ISSUE OF COMMERCE TODAY

REF: KYLE LETTER TO KHAUSE DATED JANUARY 17, 1974

1. GRC MORE UPSET THAN WE ANTICIPATED OVER UNFORTUNATE ERROR CAPTIONING OF PICTURES PAGES 10 AND 11 OF JANUARY 7 ISSUE OF "COMMERCE TODAY" IN WHICH PREMIER, MINISTER OF FINANCE, MAYOR AND OTHERS ARE DESCRIBED AS "JAPANESE BUSINESSMEN."

2. DIRECTOR BOFT CALLED COMMATT TO HIS OFFICE FEB. 1 TO REQUEST THAT CORRECTION BE PRINTED IN NEXT ISSUE COMMERCE TODAY. K.T. LI, MINISTER OF FINANCE, WHO ALSO BROUGHT SUBJECT TO OUR ATTENTION, HAS SUGGESTED THAT COMMERCE MAY WISH TO CONSIDER DOING FEATURE ARTICLE ON FAR EASTERN DEPARTMENT STORE PROMOTION USING DIFFERENT PICTURES PROPERLY CAPTIONED. AN APOLOGY TO PARTIES INVOLVED WAS ALSO SUGGESTED.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: IT IS APPARENT THAT GRC CONSIDERS THE REFERENCE TO THE PREMIER (IN PARTICULAR) AND OTHER CHINESE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AS BEING "JAPANESE BUSINESS-MEN" A DIRECT, THOUGH INADVERTENT, INSULT. EMBASSY RECOMMENDS THAT HIGH LEVEL LETTER OF APOLOGY, PREFERABLY SIGNED BY SECRETARY DENT, BE SENT PROMPTLY TO AMBASSADOR SHEN. IN ADDITION WE PRESUME COMMERCE TODAY WILL PRINT CORRECTION.

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